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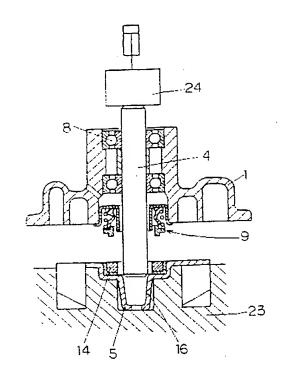
TITLE

: CONNECTION BETWEEN DRIVING

SHAFT AND IMPELLER OF WATER

PUMP FOR INTERNAL-COMBUSTION

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ABSTRACT: PURPOSE: To obtain the firm joint force between a driving shaft and an impeller by press-molding a boss part into a truncated-cone form which becomes narrower towards the innermost part and press-fitting the truncated-cone-shaped boss part through the spread-diameter-molding by a driving shaft.

> CONSTITUTION: The tilt angle  $\theta$  of the boss part 16 of an impeller 5 is set at 5° with respect to the axis line, and the diameter (d) of the port root is formed nearly equal to a driving shaft. A chamfered part is formed onto the driving shaft 4, and the truncated-cone-shaped boss part 16 is press-fitted through spread-diameter-molding by pressing from behind a pressing apparatus 24. Therefore, the boss part 16 firmly tightens the driving shaft 4 by the spring-back action of the boss part 16 on spread-diameter-molding, and the impeller 5 and the driving shaft 4 can be firmly joined.

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